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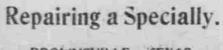
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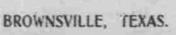
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ARGENTINE CATTLE KINGS.

Ours-After Tying a Steer a Surgical Operation is Necessary to Release it.

The pampas of Argentina correspond closely to the Mississippi valley of the states and the great plains of the Canadian northwest. but on a showdown they would prove far truer to the name of plains' than anything we have north of the Isthmus of Panama. Nowhere else in the world is there so large an area that approaches so near to an absolute level as do the pampas. The exigencies of the railroad building best illustrates this fact. Look at the large scale map of any of the flattest of our middle western states and observe how no red line, representing a railroad, holds to a straighter course that that of a row of children playing hippity-hop across a broad lawn. This is because the country is not level; the curves are to reduce a gradient that cannot be avoided by cuts or fills. Now look at a railroad map of Argentine and see how the lines radiate from Buenos Ayres like the spokes to a wheel. Whether northwest to Rosario and Cardoba, west to the Andes, southwest to the Pampa Central or south to Mar del Plata and Bahia Blanca, their course is invariably almost perfectly direct. The Buenos Ayres and Pacific railway has the longest "straight" in the world, where between Vedia and Mackenna, in the heart of the pampa, the rails run for 175 miles Choice Lands and City Property. without and inch of curve, and but for an "S" at the former place, would continue so for 206 miles. This is indicative of the real thing

> To the average inhabitant of the pampas a gentle swell on the bosom the world and the sight of one on pressed itself in lighter ways.

Powers & Wells, Wells & Rentfro The pampas of today are not the designed for this country, and on Van Ness Avenue, with every pampas of thirty years ago. Then could be used in no other. One of window space gaping from a gutted the prevailing pursuits were pas- them would be far too wide to pass I buy and sell Rem Estate and toral; now those horticultural take through an English lane, far too the lead, and are rapidly increas. long to turn an ordinary cross-road ing in importance. Formerly, corner in the states, and far too Practice in all state and federal master and man lived alike, both heavy to be used in any country courts, when especially employed. in mud huts and on a diet of carne where horses were not at bedrock Land Litigation and corporation asado, gallentas and mate. Now, prices. A good sized wagon will all this is for the peous, while the be from forty to fifty feet long and fires were allowed in the house unmaster divides the time between his from twelve to fourteen feet high, til the chimneys could be inspected. palatial estancia and Buenos Avres and the driver's seat twenty feet These windbreaks almost invariaand Europe. Probably nowhere and more the ground. The horses bly bore some jocular legend. else in the world, certainly not used to appear innumerable, and Some were named "Zinkand's" or outside the great cities, is there so actually at times run above two great a gulf between the standard and three-score. They are driven of living of the highest and the either by the "jerk-line" system. lowest. Nowhere have I seen such common in Southern California lavishly run establishments as those and the San Joaquin valley or by of these land kings of Argentina, rein run out to the leading pair. both native and British, and no. The capacity of one of these vehicles were dozens of "Happy Homes." where among Caucasians have I is enormous, and the general rule In San Jose I saw a building, comseen such primitive quarters and of "a wagon load makes a car pletely wrecked, from which a sign such hard living as among the load" will not often be found announced that "E. W. Jack had peons and gauchos of the same amiss. The principal idea of so been 'earthquaked' to 15 West St. country. The eight or ten weeks large a wagon is to have something John Street (just around the that I have sent in various parts of that will not be engulfed by the corner," and another, "From these the pampas were almost equally mud or dust of the bottomless ruins will rise San Jose's greatest divided between these diametrically roads of the pampas, but it also grocery store." opposite ways of living, giving me has its economic advantages in a all the advantage of sharp contrast country where men are scarce and in showing the one up against the horses plentiful. other. It is an amusing and rather novel experience to sit with the counterpart of our cowboy of the knees under a mahogany and sip plains and the boundary rider of cognized a young man standing by French wine from a glass of Mauze the Australian "back block," and a seat several feet away. crystal one day, and the next to he is in many ways quite as attrac-P. S. Waterwall, Rockport, Tex. hunch up on a horse skull stool tive a character as either of his and suck mate through a bombilla brothers. His worst fault seeins ed quite simply "Yes" Nothing that has been in a dozen other to be his extreme carelessness in more was said mouths before it comes to you; or regard to the lives of those around perhaps to have imported English him; but as he is equally careless lamb chops and French peas for 11 of his own I cannot see where this o'clock breakfast, and for 5 o'clock can logically be held against him. dinner a hunk of smoky, greasy As a handler of stock he is poscarne asado cooked on a steel spike sibly the peer of a Queensland

Bahia Blanca a while ago, he di- out at a round-up; hence I was Subscribe to THE HERALD.

ed it all to the same level.

wealth following their foresight superior to the South American. and good management. The defiever, their thousands of hectares of land to Italian tenantry regularly make good, and with some to spare. Over and above this, the steadily increasing value of their lands, incident to the growth of the country, is doubling and trebling their wealth every few years. There is nothing like an Argen-

The gaucho of the pampas is the in the midst of an open fire, and drover, but is certainly not to be eaten by holding in the hands and mentioned in the same breath with and unforced kindliness that reduc- conclusion in my own mind from ited for return on July 28. the first time I had seen what were Talking with an Englishman in said to be expert gauchos working rate. .

vided his countrymen who owned more pleased when, not long ago, estancias in the pampas into two a bunch of half a dozen Texas J. B. MURDOCK Their Cowboys Can Not Compare With classes: Those who were gentle- cowboys came to this country on men when they come to the coun- an exhibition tour and demonstrattry, and those who were not gen- ed to the satisfaction of everybody tlemen when they came to the that, both in method and execution, country, but had since become in the handling of cattle and such through the accession of horses, the North American is far

I say demonstrated to the satisfacnition of gentlemen herein implied tion of everybody; as a matter of may be somewhat open to question, fact it was to the extreme satisfacotherwise the statement gives a tion of every one but the Anglovery good idea of the situation. Saxons. The average Argentine They are all gentlemen; only part is quite lacking in anything reof them came ready made and the sembling a sporting instinct and he others made themselves. I met took it very hard when he saw his many of both classes and as hosts representatives so completely out-I would say that neither leave any- classed in a kind of work he had thing to be desired; as practical fondly imagined in his ignorance farmers, those of the acquired gen- that they were supreme. In no tility seem to have rather the bet- branch of their work did the cowter of it. The latter do not return boys not make the gauchos appear to England every summer on a fairly ludicrous in comparison. In visit, have fewer fads and fancies, roping and tying, and at breaking will use American machinery and riding untamed steers, horses when it is proved to them that it and mules, the work of the Ameriwill do twice as much work with caus was neat and expeditious; less men than the English, and in that of the Argentines and Urumany other ways display more guayans clumsy and slow. A cow-'horse sense'' than the born gen- boy would rope and tie a steer in tlemen. Most of these are making from thirty to forty secones, so money, too, because they cannot deftly that it would be released by help it, rather than for any other a single pull, where the gaucho reason. They farm as gentlemen would spend five minutes smotherfarm in England, and their ken- ing the animal in a coil of rope, nels and stables and fancy cattle, from which a surgical operation and their imposing but antiquated was usually required to release it. agricultural machinery are re- Buenos Ayreans found the dose a sponsible for a substancial deficit hard one to swallow, but the best every year, a deficit which, how- of them finally got it down and admitted that their men were outclassed at their own game.-Los Angeles Times.

FRISCO HUMOR.

How the Spirit of the People Manifested Itself in Hour of Trial.

The spirit of the San Francisco tine grain train anywhere else in people after the great disaster exof the plain is a thing of interest, the move is alone worth a trip to writes French Strother in the July the pampa. They are specially World's Work. A steel building interior bore a freshly painted sign:

"The Hotel Baltimore is now open' for business."

It was-wide open.

In front of every house was a stove set up in the street and shielded from the wind, because no 'Tait's' or "The Poodle Dog," after famous restaurants of the city. One sign read "Well Shaken" and below it a finger pointed to the next shack, on which was painted "Same Alive." There

But perhaps the most effective expression I saw of the spirit with which losses were borne was on a street car in Devisadero Street. A well-dressed young woman re-

"Burned out?" she inquired.

He smiled pleasantly and answer-

Excursion Rates.

Account meeting Sheriff's association at Dallas, Texas, August 9-11, round trip tickets will besold on August 7 and 8 at \$21.70 limited for return August 13

Account meeting Grand Lodge rending with the teeth. But a Texas, Arizona or Montana cow- A. O. U. W. at San Antonio, July whatever and by whomever dis- boy, nor with the best of Mexican 24-26, round trip tickets will be pensed, it was tendered with a free vaqueros. I had arrived a this sold July 21 and 22, at \$10.85 lim-

Child's rate one half of adult